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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Masanori MUKAI

Serial No. 10/068,843

Group Art Unit: 3653

Confirmation No. 8975

Filed: February 11, 2002

Examiner: Joseph C. Rodriguez

For: PAPER PROCESSING DEVICE

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed February 10, 2003, having a period for response set to expire on May 10, 2003. A petition and fee for a one-month Extension of Time is enclosed, thereby extending the response period to June 10, 2003. The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please REPLACE the Abstract in accordance with the following:

a/ A paper processing device that discriminates papers such as bills and the like while transferring, and changes the transfer routes of the papers according to the discriminating result. More particularly, a device that is built in an automatic teller machine that carries out transactions such as receipt of money, payment of money and the similar, and thereby processes bills, and aims at reducing the number of stop failures, and at detection of paper powder at a level that does not cause any transfer trouble, transfers bills as they are, and handles those bills that have been transferred until paper powder is removed in the same manner as for abnormally shaped bills.